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TWO CENTS.

IT WILL BE PUSHED

Defense in the Holmes Trial Will Be Short.

CASE MAY GO TO THE JURY TONIGHT

Miss Yoke on the Stand for Cross-Examination.

PROSECUTION CLOSES

PHILADELPHIA, November 1.—The progress of the Holmes murder trial reminds one of a book on hints to young playwrights. The one point upon which stress is laid is to keep the interest on an ascending scale. The case has been a trial has done this better than the strongest play ever penned, and its succeeding acts have been such that one witnessing them in a play would say "This is very strong and all that, but then it's a play. Such things never happen in life."

As every new day comes the air of expectancy in the court room seems to be more pronounced, and thus far it has not been disappointed. When today's session was begun, everybody was looking forward to the prospect of Holmes going on the stand, as he announced the other day. The commonwealth has presented its case today and in all probability, the prisoner will be the first, and perhaps the only witness for the defense. Although the prosecution case is in all probability closed, it has been considerably lessened by Judge Arnold's decision last night that no evidence bearing on the murders of the children, or anything but the death of Benjamin F. Pitzeel, shall be introduced.

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ADMINISTRATION ACTIVITY

Representatives of Mr. Cleveland in All the Doubtful States.

Democratic Success Is Desired by the President and His Friends—Laying Next Year's Foundation.

The democrats are gratified and the republicans a little surprised to observe that the administration is manifesting a lively interest in next Tuesday's result. An earlier calculation by the managers on both sides was that the history of last year, when the administration kept hands off, would be repeated this year.

The President and Col. Lamont are both factors now in the New York campaign. Mr. Cleveland cheers on the canvass for the state ticket, while Col. Lamont, by registering in town, has prepared himself to help Tammany. Local comment shows that the effect of both actions is to make a happy omen for the democracy. The Albany audience to which Mr. Cleveland's telegram was read broke into a frenzy of pleasure, and Col. Lamont's single vote in town is expected to multiply itself in the way of influence many times over.

Secretary Carlisle, in a signal way, gives encouragement to the party in Kentucky. There is thought to be no ground left for bolting Gen. Hardin through any idea of administration opposition or indifference. The Hardin people are already pushing out that Mr. Carlisle will afford to make two long railroad journeys to vote the party ticket, sound money democrats can afford to make a few blocks on election day to follow his example.

All Along the Line.

Assistant Secretary Hamlin, running down from Massachusetts for a day on pressing business, runs immediately back again, in order not to lose his vote for the democratic ticket on Tuesday. And this is all the more significant because he is the ghost of a show to win in Massachusetts this year. But Mr. Hamlin wants to put the administration on record.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy McAdoo, whose services on the stump in New Jersey were a great deal more than in vain, is helping there now. The republicans swept the state last year, and this puts the democracy at a great disadvantage. But Senator Gray of Delaware has told the democracy of the state that the republicans would be beaten if they were to succeed, and this, it is claimed, has been of service to Mr. Gorman in silencing their loud and deep voice in the state.

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THE PRINTING OFFICE

What Officials Think of Its Condemnation.

THE STRUCTURE MAY BE VACATED

Ultimate Consolidation of All Government Publishing Buildings.

SOME EXPERT VIEWS

The action of the grand jury in condemning the government printing office was in part a surprise to the officials in the building. For many years they have regarded the building as not entirely safe, and the grand jury had on at least two previous occasions examined the building and given warning of its condition. But that the H street wing should be wholly condemned was not expected.

Public Printer Benedict left the city Wednesday for his home in New York, where he will remain until after the election; so that it was not possible today to learn what he had to say of the action taken by the grand jury. It is well known, however, that Mr. Benedict is far back as the first year of his incumbency under the first Cleveland administration took every precaution against the weakness and inflammability of the H street wing. He and his brother, Gilbert Benedict, the chief clerk of the office, during the term, intended to meet the deficiency as a fire drill among the employees, by means of which at given signals the clerks and employees were to form in line and march out of the building by the nearest exits, the entire force being divided up into sections according to their proximity to each of the several fire escapes.

Often Overlooked.

It is known that several times the building was overinspected by loading it too heavily with paper in the upper stories, and at one time, according to expert engineers, it was on the verge of a catastrophe. Mr. Edward Clark, the architect of the Capitol, at this time interfered with the building, and considerable work was done toward strengthening it, a large part of the excessive weight at the same time being removed.

In Judge Kilgore's Favor.

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PROTECTIVE POLICY

Interest in Lord Salisbury's Deliverance on That Subject.

FREE TRADE NOT AN UNMIXED BLESSING

Possible Effect on Politics in This Country.

WHY AT THIS TIME

Lord Salisbury's deliverance on the policy of protection attracts more than ordinary attention. The subject is one of very great interest to the United States, and, besides, it is reported that the conservative party is looking in this direction for an ally in a great scheme of English-speaking domination. The digging of the Nicaragua canal and the revision and a new assertion of the Monroe doctrine have already been mentioned in English circles as projects in the execution of which England and the United States should join hands. In England proposing also to turn protectionism, in order to make her company the more agreeable to this country.

Effect of England's Change of Policy.

This question is answered, Yankee fashion, by the asking of another: What would the general effect be of a change of base on England's part on economic lines, so far as the interests of this country are concerned? That the free traders in the United States have been strengthened by England's economic attitude is conceded. The advocates drawn their inspiration from that source; have filed their quivers with arrows fashioned after the Cobden pattern. They have ascribed all of England's more modern greatness to her free trade policy, and have insisted that the United States, by following that example, would share in that greatness. Replying to this, the protectionists have dubbed the free trade party the English party, and have charged that the effect of the adoption of free trade by this country would be disastrous here, and would operate only in the interests of England. Conceding, for argument's sake, some advantage to England from free trade, the protectionists have pointed out that what is one man's meat is another man's poison; and that England might in some way injure the United States.

Will Please the Protectionists.

But now comes Lord Salisbury, the most powerful man in the realm, and with a regular Tom Reed majority in the commons at his back, and declares that free trade has not proved an unmixed blessing ever to England. He regrets indeed the unreserved adoption of that policy. For one thing in particular, he ascribes the existing agricultural depression directly to it, and a fair inference seems to be that if he could hope to effect a change he would enter upon that path.

Here, then, it is suggested, is something that must tickle the protectionists in the United States. It is an argument in their own line, and if it contributes or is designed to contribute nothing more of advantage to them, it could be ground under the feet of the opponents of protection. It is an economic bar by England against might increase American trade on that side the water, but it would be a signal warning against the taking down of the bars already up over here. Such a practical confession of the failure of free trade in the one country where it has been most completely adopted to invite and did invite its adoption would snuff out those who are urging the policy upon a groggy and unseeing Congress.

Why at This Time?

Why does Lord Salisbury bring this subject up at this time? He has foreign complications enough on his hands to take going. Turkey, China, Venezuela and the United States have business for him. As a rule, too, he prefers questions of international policy and politics. And yet he turns at this time to this feature of home affairs. Does he connect it in any way with the controversy with this country? Can he make it serve any subtle purpose? Is his tribute to protection a sly appeal to the party whose policy he is himself following, just coming into power in Congress, and may presently be looking into English aggressiveness in Venezuela and elsewhere?

Excitement in a Church.

A Panic Caused by a Man Who Had a Fit.

A shriek, that was intensely startling, owing to the impressive stillness and solemnity of the church during the celebration of high mass. As a result several women fainted, and excitement followed, which might have proved serious, had not directions been given almost immediately by the priest in charge to the organist to play, and a moment later to the choir to sing.

The cry emanated from the throat of a man in a rear pew, who had been suddenly seized with a fit. Without warning he uttered the sound and toppled over, causing consternation generally throughout the congregation. The priest, who was seated in the front of the church, jumped to his feet, and, as stated, a number of women promptly fainted. The unfortunate man who caused the scare was a young man, who was a member of the church, and desired to again enter the church, but was not allowed to do so. The priest of the organ and the sounds from the choir had a quieting effect, and the excitement was soon allayed. The persons who were overcome were removed to their homes in carriages, and all was again serene.

Increased Receipts.

Yet There Is a Deficit of Over Six Millions for the Month.

The comparative statement of the government receipts and expenditures issued today shows the receipts for October to have been as follows: Customs, \$1,722,000; internal revenue, \$13,216,583; miscellaneous, \$102,100; total receipts, \$15,040,683. The expenditures aggregated \$14,563,425, which leaves the deficit for the month \$477,258.

No Charges at the Department.

No report has been received at the War Department of charges preferred against Colonel Croft at Fort Sheridan, Ill., of employing enlisted men as servants. Such a practice is explicitly forbidden by statute, but even if the facts are as alleged the matter would fall within the initial jurisdiction of General Merritt at Chicago, the department commander.

Thanks by Japan.

Official Recognition of This Government.

Accompanied by Secretary Olney, Mr. Kurino, the Japanese minister, and his secretary of legation, called upon President Cleveland at the White House today by appointment just before the cabinet meeting and presented to him an autograph letter from the Emperor of Japan, expressing in graceful and sincere terms his appreciation of the good offices of the United States government in bringing about a restoration of peace between Japan and China and for the protection accorded to Japanese residents in China.

West Point Cadets Appointed.

Cadet appointments to West Point have been issued during the past week as follows: James C. Gregory, Jr. (alternate), Tunstall, Va.; Samuel R. Gleaves, Wytheville, Va.; J. F. Maynard (alternate), Honaker, Va.; Morris Johnson, Madison, Wis.; John H. Foote (alternate), Madison, Wis.

Today's Cabinet Meeting.

The President and his cabinet were in consultation for several hours at the White House today in regard to the general condition of public business. It was a regular day evening, and all the members were in attendance.

BUNCO WITH A BANK BOOK

A Widower Nearly Falls Victim to a Shrewd Confidence Game.

ALLAN OLIVER IN SAID TO HAVE BEEN THE

Subject of a Friendly Joke, but the Judge Doesn't Believe It.

ONE OF THE SHREWDDEST CONFIDENCE GAMES

heard of in police circles in many years came out in the testimony in a case of false pretenses, tried in the Police Court today. The defendants in the case were two intelligent colored men, named James Phillips and Percy Blagby, who live in South Washington, while the prosecuting witness, Allan Oliver, also a South Washington colored man, was shrewd enough to break up their little game just at the close of the last chapter of the alleged fraud.

It appears that Mrs. Elizabeth Oliver, the wife of the prosecuting witness, died some time ago, and it was supposed that she left considerable money in a local bank, the widower was unable to cash the bank account, if his wife had really left one, but the two young men, it is charged, claimed that they could locate the fund if they were paid \$200 in advance.

Oliver, it is said, made a promise to settle with them when they told him they belonged to the bank. He was to pay them \$200 on account. Then it is alleged that one of them went to the National Savings and Trust Company and wanted to open a book in the name of the dead woman, but as she was not present to sign, the account was opened in the name of the man, and a deposit of \$200 was made.

The name was changed and deposits added until it was made to appear that the account belonged to the dead woman, and she had \$200 on deposit. When the book in this condition was furnished, the widower paid over the \$200, and then went to the bank to inquire about the account.

Later, it is alleged, the young men, understanding the necessity of getting rid of the book, returned to Oliver and told him that the bank was something of a mystery, and that the young men while his clerk went for Sgt. Daley.

Oliver, it is said, the officer reached the store one of the young men was in the act of returning to Oliver the \$200, and the officer took the money and men.

But now comes Lord Salisbury, the most powerful man in the realm, and with a regular Tom Reed majority in the commons at his back, and declares that free trade has not proved an unmixed blessing ever to England. He regrets indeed the unreserved adoption of that policy. For one thing in particular, he ascribes the existing agricultural depression directly to it, and a fair inference seems to be that if he could hope to effect a change he would enter upon that path.

Here, then, it is suggested, is something that must tickle the protectionists in the United States. It is an argument in their own line, and if it contributes or is designed to contribute nothing more of advantage to them, it could be ground under the feet of the opponents of protection. It is an economic bar by England against might increase American trade on that side the water, but it would be a signal warning against the taking down of the bars already up over here. Such a practical confession of the failure of free trade in the one country where it has been most completely adopted to invite and did invite its adoption would snuff out those who are urging the policy upon a groggy and unseeing Congress.

Why at This Time?

Why does Lord Salisbury bring this subject up at this time? He has foreign complications enough on his hands to take going. Turkey, China, Venezuela and the United States have business for him. As a rule, too, he prefers questions of international policy and politics. And yet he turns at this time to this feature of home affairs. Does he connect it in any way with the controversy with this country? Can he make it serve any subtle purpose? Is his tribute to protection a sly appeal to the party whose policy he is himself following, just coming into power in Congress, and may presently be looking into English aggressiveness in Venezuela and elsewhere?

Excitement in a Church.

A Panic Caused by a Man Who Had a Fit.

A shriek, that was intensely startling, owing to the impressive stillness and solemnity of the church during the celebration of high mass. As a result several women fainted, and excitement followed, which might have proved serious, had not directions been given almost immediately by the priest in charge to the organist to play, and a moment later to the choir to sing.

The cry emanated from the throat of a man in a rear pew, who had been suddenly seized with a fit. Without warning he uttered the sound and toppled over, causing consternation generally throughout the congregation. The priest, who was seated in the front of the church, jumped to his feet, and, as stated, a number of women promptly fainted. The unfortunate man who caused the scare was a young man, who was a member of the church, and desired to again enter the church, but was not allowed to do so. The priest of the organ and the sounds from the choir had a quieting effect, and the excitement was soon allayed. The persons who were overcome were removed to their homes in carriages, and all was again serene.

Increased Receipts.

Yet There Is a Deficit of Over Six Millions for the Month.

The comparative statement of the government receipts and expenditures issued today shows the receipts for October to have been as follows: Customs, \$1,722,000; internal revenue, \$13,216,583; miscellaneous, \$102,100; total receipts, \$15,040,683. The expenditures aggregated \$14,563,425, which leaves the deficit for the month \$477,258.